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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Patent Application of: Ralph H. Echols et al

Serial No.: 09/758,625

Filed: January 11, 2001

Entitled: WELL SCREEN HAVING A LINE EXTENDING THERETHROUGH

Group Art Unit: 1723

Examiner: Cecil, Terry K.

RULE 116 AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the January 21, 2004 Final Office Action in the above-identified patent application, entry of the following amendment, pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §1.116, is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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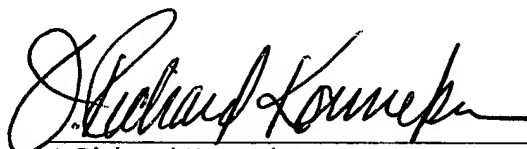
Transmitted herewith is a Rule Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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TOTAL CLAIMS	18	-	67	0	X \$18 =	0
IND. CLAIMS	4	-	5	0	X \$86 =	0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						0

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